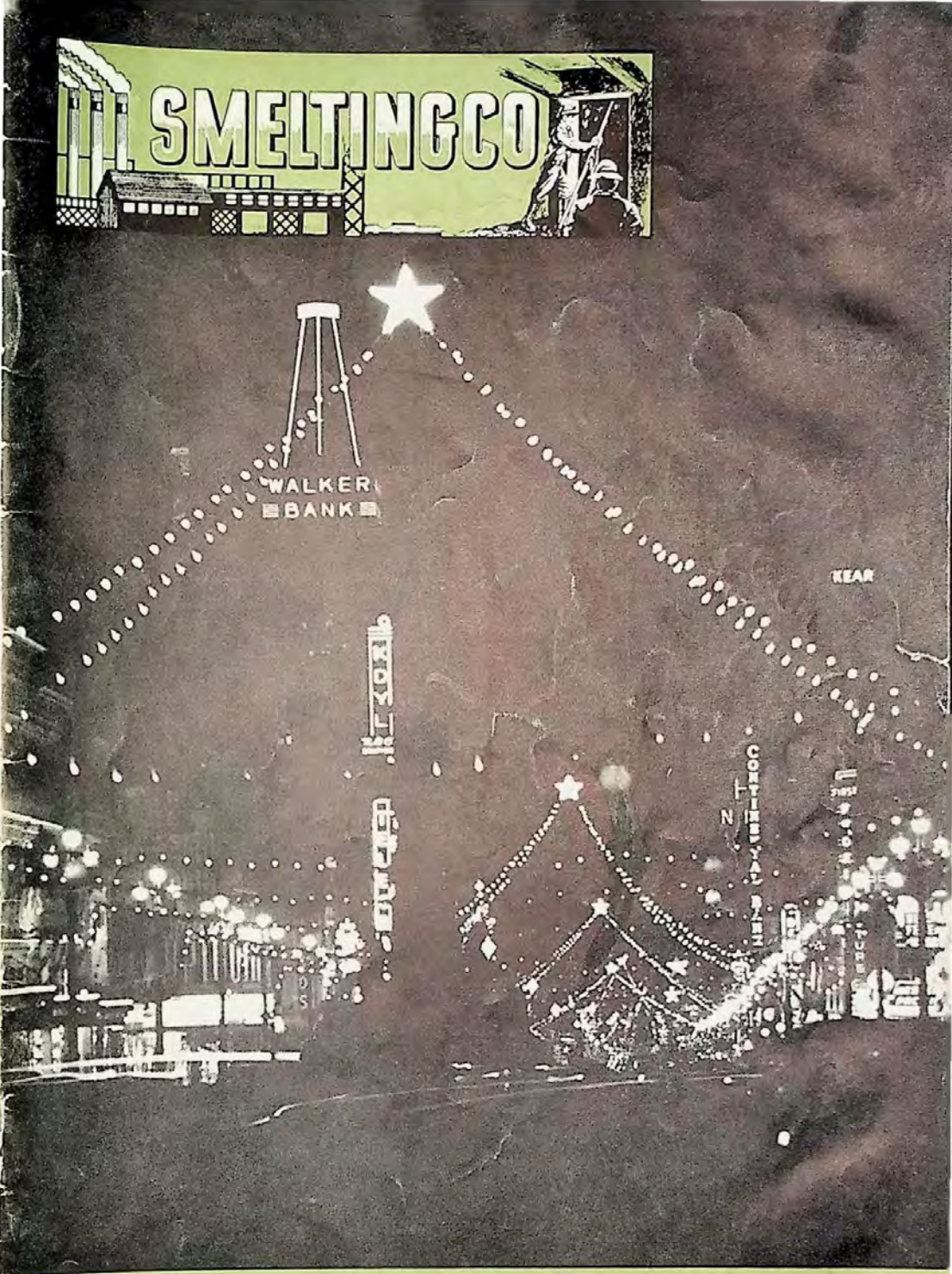

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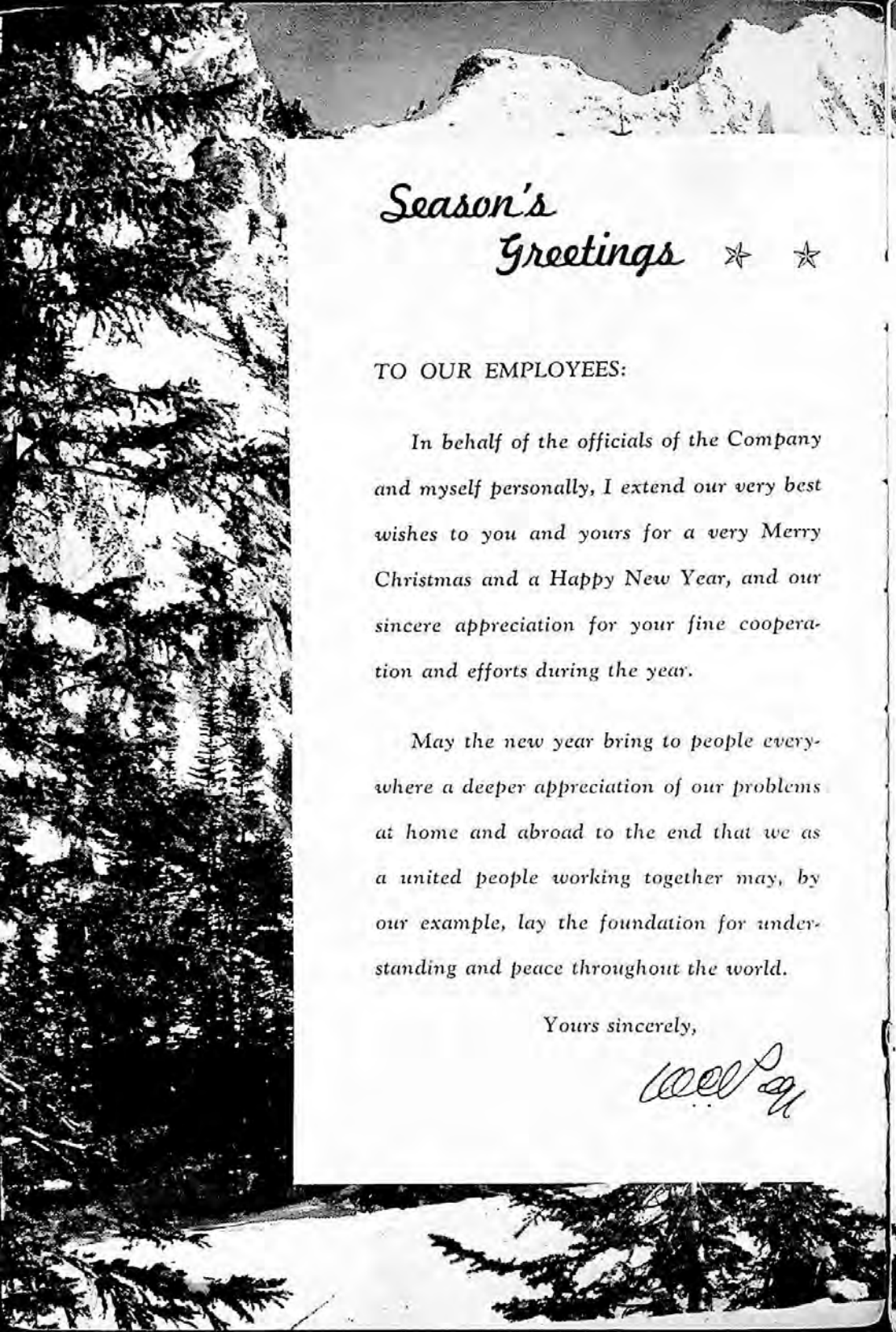

Season's Greetings ✯ ✯

TO OUR EMPLOYEES:

In behalf of the officials of the Company and myself personally, I extend our very best wishes to you and yours for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and our sincere appreciation for your fine cooperation and efforts during the year.

May the new year bring to people everywhere a deeper appreciation of our problems at home and abroad to the end that we as a united people working together may, by our example, lay the foundation for understanding and peace throughout the world.

Yours sincerely,

TO OUR EMPLOYEES:

As 1952 draws to a close, let us take just one quick glance back to appraise this year in retrospect. For most of us, it has been a good year, though a worrisome one. Sadness has been the lot of many who have had loved ones in the armed services. To them I extend my deepest sympathy. — For the Company, the precipitate drop and the present outlook for metal prices gives us serious concern.

Little progress was made towards a world of peace and security — and even more important, towards harmony and security within our own borders. Confusion rather than understanding has been the rule. Much of this confusion has been fostered by individuals and groups whose aim is to breed class dissatisfactions and hatreds within our borders which they hope will lead to this Nation's destruction. I believe that disappointment over the failure to correct these conditions caused the American people to choose new leaders on last November 4.

The newly designated leaders will take office on January 20. Their task is indeed a difficult one. The manifold and critical problems facing them are beyond our comprehension. They deserve and should have our "total" support. This support can best be given by doing everything we possibly can to eliminate the demagoguery which encourages class hatreds, and the "something for nothing" psychology, and by facing the facts squarely in working out our personal, collective and civic problems. Our new leaders deserve to be remembered in our prayers to the end that God may give them the wisdom and the courage to do right, to work for the common good and to bring back to Americans everywhere and to the peoples of the world, who look to America for leadership, the hope that peace and security may be established on this earth.

It is in the spirit of that hope that I extend to you and your loved ones best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and happiness throughout the New Year.

Sincerely,

ST. JOE CREW

Frank Stevenson operates hoist at the St. Joe. He has worked at Lark since 1936. Frank has been mining since he quit college in 1914. Right: Pres Mitchell, Mine Foreman at St. Joe the past year. Pres helped drive the St. Joe tunnel 22 years ago. He has been at Lark continuously since 1937 and a foreman since 1947, except during 1951 when he was Safety Inspector at Lark Section.

Spence Miller operates motor. His helper is Len Hickman. Spence is the senior employee at the St. Joe, having worked there since July, 1934. He lives at Harriman. Len Hickman, a Lehi man who's still holding out on the girls (he's single), just completed his sixth year at St. Joe.

Mel Johnson, left, and Lloyd Strasburg, right, driving a drift on the 1950 Level. Mel and Lloyd have been partners since July, 1951, sinking the St. Joe incline to the 1950 Level and mining the drift. Mel has been at the St. Joe since 1946. Lloyd came to the St. Joe at the same time. Both men live in Lehi.

This month *Smeltingco* introduces a group of Lark Miners not generally well known personally to their fellow workers at Lark Section. They make up the St. Joe Crew. Most of them are shown on these pages at their mining jobs. These men seldom come in contact with the main Lark crew because they mine a group of claims historically known as the Bingham Orleans group which are located several miles southwest of the main Lark Section. The crew enters these workings via the St. Joe tunnel in lower Butterfield Canyon.

Boasting a safety record this year that is somewhat envied by their fellow workers at Lark Section, the St. Joe Crew steps into the limelight by working the past year with only one lost time accident and the injury was so minor that the employee lost only one day.

Pres Mitchell, Mine Foreman at the St. Joe, attributes the good safety record to the cooperation he has received from his men in adhering to safety regulations and to the fine attitude the crew has toward safety in general.

Pres is also fortunate to have a veteran mining crew with years of mining experience behind them. A check of the employment records discloses that the St. Joe Crew has worked a total of 120 years at the Lark Section, most of it at the St. Joe. While a few of the crew are relatively new at St. Joe, they have the benefit of working with men well acquainted with the mining operations.

Jim Greer, left, and Robert Austin, right, repairing timber on the 1400 Level. Jim is new at the St. Joe. He came to Lark from New Mexico in August. He and his family live at the St. Joe, where Jim acts as caretaker. Bob has worked at the St. Joe since 1946. Originally from Iowa, Bob met his wife while stationed at Kearns and came back to settle here after the war.

Sam DeLuca, left, and John Shea, right, take time out for lunch. Both are experienced miners. Sam, who raises sugar beets and grain on a 38-acre farm on the side worked at St. Joe from 1939 until he joined the Army in 1942. He returned in 1948. John comes from a mining family. He has been in the business himself for 21 years and has spent the last 5 at the St. Joe.

Everett Parry, left, and Pat Rizzuto are partners mining a stope near the old Revere winze which can be seen in the background. Everett has been at the St. Joe the past 3½ years. His father, George, is compressor man at the Lark Section. Pat is an easterner, born in the Bronx, New York. He married a Utah girl and has been at St. Joe for 5 years.

Dolph Asay at the controls of a mucking machine and partner Jack Owens. Dolph and Jack have been contracting together since June, 1950. Dolph has worked at Lark for 6 years and Jack has been at Lark the past 5 years. Both men live at Lark and are active in the community.

Ronald Bradshaw, left, and Guy Mace, right, drilling in a drift. Ned Sorenson, Bradshaw's regular partner, was absent due to illness in his family. "Brad" is a former coal miner turned metal miner. He has been at the St. Joe for the past two years. Guy is kind of an all around handy man and has worked on a number of jobs during the past 5 years that he has been at St. Joe.

AMERICA MOVES TOWARD CENTER

The record-breaking turnout of voters on November 4 and the decision they rendered give proof of a number of important facts. Many interpretations will be placed on the Eisenhower landslide, as it reflects the thinking and attitude of the people, but from an educator's viewpoint the most important fact is the vast majority of American people can be reached and influenced by educational facts.

Since the election is over, nonpartisan observers now are agreeing that a great underlying issue in the contest was the Welfare State philosophy. By their votes, 55 per cent of the American electorate apparently have rejected it. There were other issues, some of more immediate concern perhaps, but the difference in the basic political theories of the two parties is considered by most non-partisan observers to have been one of the major fundamental issues upon which the voters expressed themselves.

President Truman and President Roosevelt before him repeatedly classified themselves and their administrations as "slightly left of center." The program which both sponsored but never quite got through Congress was considerably left of center. Its basic philosophy was embedded in the Democratic platform adopted at Chicago last July. It frankly embraced the proposition that the citizen has the right to look to the government for at least the minimum economic needs of life. The present Republican philosophy, on the other hand, projects as government's prime responsibility, the improving and widening of the citizen's opportunity to provide his own economic needs and wants for himself.

The first definite signs of a trend toward big paternalistic government were becoming evident 15 years ago. It was also evident then that we were permitting a generation of youth to grow up not knowing about the benefits provided by the American system and not knowing the real factors in our way of life which are responsible for our unmatched productivity.

Not only were we neglecting, in many cases, to give our school and college youths the facts to make them dedicated supporters of constitutional government and the capitalistic system, but American industrial employers were doing little toward selling their own employees on their own businesses or on the *principles* of private enterprise. In the last several years, however, a great many citizen leaders have awakened. School administrators and teachers by the hundreds have begun groping for suitable American citizenship teaching materials, and many American business men have been carrying the economic facts of life to their employees and customers.

If the leftward trend is being slowed down, it is because the people, weighing the facts at hand, feel their best self-interest lies in having a less powerful and more middle-of-the-road government. In our Republic, and with our democratic electoral processes, government must constantly reflect the will of the people—based on their knowledge, their hopes and fears. If a government doesn't reflect the people's will, it is a dictatorship.

In the depression days of the 1930's the overwhelming will of the people dictated to government that it should use all means within the framework of the constitution to get the nation's economy back on its feet. But when such measures as the NRA and the Supreme Court packing bill were tried, the people felt they were being carried too far toward government control, or one-man rule, and they made their wishes known. The "Fair Deal" program, with its Brannan Plan, compulsory health program, and proposals to override State's Rights, has now been rejected, according to the widely-held interpretations of neutral observers.

Ahead of the administration which takes over next January is a combination of problems that will tax the best wisdom of the nation. And the kind of wisdom needed doesn't repose in any one man or any small group. Never has the need been so urgent for all the people of America to keep well informed on international and national developments and express their opinions to their representatives in Washington. It's our government, obedient to our will. We can strengthen it and build a more secure and happier future for all if we will continue to seek the facts and make our opinions known in the court houses, the state capitols, in Congress and the White House.

COVER

At night during the Holiday Season, Salt Lake City's lights are a sight to behold! Our cover picture only suggests the beauty of the brilliant Christmas lighting.—*Photo by Hal Rumel.*

Orrin Beckstead, Sample Mill Head Repairman, fills his car radiator with antifreeze. He knows that a frozen, steaming radiator can be a winter driving hazard.

LeRoy Hedberg, Heating Plant Operator, has his car up on the rack at Wiley's Texaco Service for a check-up and winter lube job.

TIPS ON HOW TO BE A BETTER DRIVER

Keep yourself and car in good condition.

Keep your eyes on the road and both hands on the wheel.

Don't drive if you are sleepy.

Keep several car lengths between you and the car ahead. Double the distance on slippery streets.

Check what's behind, before turning or pulling out to pass the car ahead—and be sure the road is clear of on-coming traffic.

Know and obey the traffic laws.

After passing, don't cut back until you can see the car you've passed in the rear view mirror.

When approaching crossings slow down—look both ways before crossing.

Never drive without ample visability. If your windows and windshields are fogged up—Stop and clear them before proceeding.

Signal before making any turn or stop, either with your arm outside the window or with light signals.

Don't Be A Winter Traffic Victim!

Old man winter has again spread his icy fangs over the State. If his initial appearance means anything, we're in for another long winter of blizzards, icy streets and all the other winter hazards that each year plague the motorist.

The grim reaper has already this year rolled up the highest traffic death record in Utah's history. By December 1, 233 persons had died as the result of traffic accidents. Before January 1st rolls around more men, women, and children will become statistics on a police traffic accident record form.

Let's hope it won't be you or one of your loved ones. Practice highway courtesy and obey all the traffic laws and chances are good that you will ring in the new year.

With winter driving hazards traffic accidents usually show a marked increase. There are a multitude of smashed fenders; broken bones and frayed tempers—as well as those terrible accidents which cost lives.

On these pages, several smelter men are shown checking to see that their cars are in tip-top shape for winter-driving as insurance to help protect them and their families from becoming traffic victims.

Dave Downs, Boilermaker, knows that replacing old dimmed headlight globes will make it much easier to see ahead on these cold winter nights.

Pete Callas, D & L Headman wants to keep the fenders on his Old's 98 shining and straight, so he's changing to snow tires for the winter months.

FREEMEN AT CHRISTMAS—

—Pray For Peace

Prayers for "peace on earth" are being offered this year in all the free nations of the world—and perhaps secretly even in the countries where dictators carry on "hate campaigns."

Prayer for peace, however, is one of the few Christmas customs which most nations observe. Many of our Yuletide ornaments and practices are holdovers from pagan times—mostly for the reason that, when the Christian churches decided, in the fourth century A.D., to observe Christ's birthday on December 25, they took over the date of three great pagan festivals: the Nordic Yule, the Roman "birth of Sol," and the Persian "birth of the sun." All three of these ancient festivals celebrated the passing of the year's shortest day and the slow increase of the hours of sunlight.

From the Yule feast of ancient tribes in Germany, France, and Britain, come the use of holly, mistletoe, and the Yule log. However, a later Christian legend tells that the holly—formerly a large tree with straight leaves — became stunted, with wrinkled, thorny leaves because its wood was used to build Christ's cross.

The use of Christmas trees dates back to the ancient Roman feast of Sol. In Germany popular fancy gradually confused it with the May-tree, and its decorations represent fruit. In Hungary, apples wrapped in fancy paper are hung from the branches. In Vienna, the apples are of chocolate. Chinese Christians decorate their trees with paper flowers, paper chains, and cotton snowflakes. In Mexico, the presents are not placed around the tree, but in an earthen jug which is broken by a blindfold child armed with a stick.

The idea of candles on the tree also originated with the Roman feast of Sol. The star at the top, however, is of Christian origin, symbolic of the star which led the Magi to the stable at Bethlehem.

As for Santa Claus, he is St. Nicholas in parts of Germany; in England, Father Christmas; in France, Pere Noel. The elf Julenissen rides a goat while distributing Christmas presents in Norway and Denmark. The dwarf Tomte plays Santa in Sweden; in pre-Communist Russia, Father Frost was the gift-giver. Santa's reindeer and sled came from Lapland. Christmas carols originated in Spain. The custom of "mummers and makers" came to us from England.

All over the world, Christmas is the season of feasting and gift-giving as well as prayers for peace. To that extent we have realized the ideal of "peace on earth, goodwill to men."

News Notes

U. S. SECTION

Joe Tibolla, *Reporting*

Here's a picture for you unlucky nimrods. The little dear on the left is June Holmes, daughter of John Holmes, and her companion is the ex-king of the forest which she bagged. He dressed out at 158 lbs. This is evidence that hunting is no longer a man's sport exclusively.

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When it comes to duck hunting, it's nothing but the best for several U.S. Section hunters. On several occasions recently, Joe Ellyas, John Holmes and others have taken advantage of special invitations to hunt with the big-wigs at the fabulous Harrison Gun Club. According to Joe Ellyas, the blinds have everything but running water and central heating. They had varying amounts of luck. Joe, has had a Baldpate duck he bagged, mounted as a souvenier.

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Alfred (Swede) Nelson, former sawmill foreman returned to the U.S. Section during November for a visit with his many friends, Swede's retirement appears to have brought back his good health.

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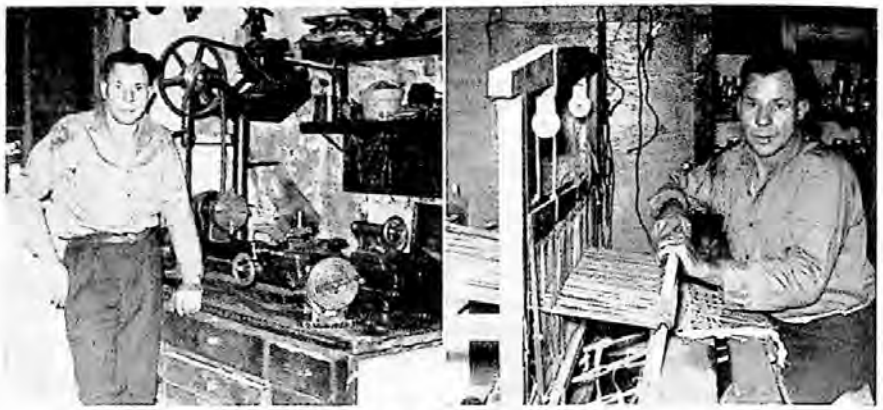
Paul Madsen, son of R. K. Madsen was home on furlough from Fort Bliss, Texas recently. Paul entered the service a year ago and will now report to Fort Eustis, Virginia for additional training with the Transportation Corps.

Among the other fortunate hunters are Homer Whitlock, Mrs. Whitlock and Vernal Dennison shown here astride three nice bucks and a Doe which they downed in the Ophir-Mercur district.



At left, Lynn stands by metal lathe in his modern shop. Right, at his loom weaving a rug.

Versatile Hobbyist

Lynn D. Sandstrom, veteran miner and mechanic at U. S. Section, is a versatile hobbyist. Weaving, sewing, metal working, carpentry and masonry are some of the hobbies Lynn has pursued over the years. But his rug and blanket weaving and quilt sewing are perhaps his most unique.

Lynn has been weaving rugs since 1928 on a loom he built out of discarded materials for 97¢. Lynn estimates he has woven over 500 rugs, as well as a number of blankets. His rugs, designed by himself, have won 75 first prize and 30 second prize ribbons at state and county fairs. The fancy quilts he has made have also won many prize ribbons. He has a spinning wheel and has spun the yarn for several of the blankets he has woven.

Lynn also likes to work with metal. He has a well-equipped machine shop. Many of the machine tools he uses he designed and built himself. He also does welding and pipe-fitting work. Needing a building to house much of his equipment, as well as a garage for his car, this past summer he built a large cement block garage and shop in his back yard, laying all the blocks and doing the cement and carpentry work all by himself. It's a first class job.

Lynn, with samples of rugs woven on loom he built for 97¢. Ribbons are prizes won in state and county fairs.

Lynn displays quilts he sewed and a blanket woven on his loom. In his hands are more prize ribbons won at state and county fairs.

With Lynn so wrapped up in his hobbies, his wife Viola had to find some of her own. She chose ceramics and crocheting. Viola molds many of her own shapes out of clay and fires and glazes them in a high temperature furnace. She hand-paints many of the designs. When not working with ceramics, she does fancy crocheting. Clothing for small dolls form some of her most unusual and interesting crocheting work.

Ceramic and crocheted articles created by Lynn's wife, Viola.

With winter at hand, indoor sports are gaining in popularity, particularly bowling. Judy Slotte is off to a good start this season evidenced by the set of silverware she brought home as second prize in the Industrial Women's State Tournament held at Provo and sponsored by the Nate Morgan Jewelry Co. Judy racked up the amazing total of 1078 pins in the six games, (the winner only got 1079) for an average of 180 per game without handicap and 197 with the handicap allowed. No wonder the Recreational Bowling Alley burned down shortly thereafter.

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Other winners of indoor events are Charles Frankenberger whose wife presented him a prize baby boy November 16 and Freeman Bridges who won a baby girl. This makes five children for the Frankenbergers and four for the Bridges.

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Sympathy is extended to Duane McCandless, whose stepfather, Ray W. Ovard, of American Fork, passed away on November 28.

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Don Reid is the proud papa of a baby girl born on December 1, 1952. Don recently purchased a new home at Kearns, Utah.

Herman H. Suter and Frank C. Dehlin were advanced to Mine Foremen at the U.S. Section November 1.

Both men have been successful as stope foremen since advanced to that rank on March 1, 1951. Prior to becoming a stope foreman, Herman worked at various underground jobs between 1937 and 1942, at which time he enlisted in the Army. He returned to the U.S. in March, 1948, and worked as motorman, pumpman and hoistman until his advancement.

Frank came to work at the U.S. Section in 1948 and handled a number of contract mining jobs in various sections of the mine before becoming stope foreman.

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William Schulte has a new son born December 1, 1952. The new boy has been named Robert.

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Angelo Dousis, veteran U. S. Section employee who began his career at the U. S. in 1929, retired on November 30 after 23 years of continuous employment. Angelo moved to Utah shortly after arriving in this country from his native Greece.

LARK SECTION

Dan Brownson, *Reporting*

Yougsters watch spook movie.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

The party of the year was given to the children and young people at the Lark Grade School October 31. Pre-school children and those of the first four grades were entertained from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m and from 9:00 p.m. to midnight the treats were on the house for the 5th grades on up.

Sponsored by the Lark Lions Club and assisted by the Lark Athletic Association, the party for the youngsters consisted of games followed by a free movie from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. after which each little witch or goblin was served peanuts, apples and candy. The older group started out at 9:00 p.m. with a dance in the auditorium. Cider and doughnuts were served as refreshments. From 10:00 p.m. un til midnight an exciting movie "The Flying Serpent" kept them spellbound. This was the first community Halloween Party for the youngsters and was considered an outstanding success. An estimated 175 youngsters were entertained at the early party and an equal number at the night affair. Special thanks to the ladies who supervised the games and refreshment counters.

Kids fill up on cider and doughnuts.

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A six pound two ounce baby girl, born Thanksgiving Day to Mr. and Mrs. Kenton Reed—gave them an extra reason to be thankful. The new one will be named Paula.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bardsley have their leisure time well taken care of for many months to come with the remodeling of the home they purchased in Lark in 1948. It was inadequate for their family of three children so Bob put a foundation under the house and is adding a bedroom and an extension to the living room. Future plans also include a basement.

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A third boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Sorenson on October 20th at the Cottonwood Maternity Hospital. The baby, who weighed in at 7½ pounds, will be named Richard M. Ned is a timberman at St. Joe and lives with this family at Kearns.

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L. D. Crandall, Engineering Trainee at Lark Section, left the employ of the Company at the end of November to enter the Armed Forces. "Dee" was recently transferred from U.S. Section where he held a similar position since employed by the Company in July, 1951. Dee is trying to get in the Navy.

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Despite the unusually warm hunting season many of the Lark employees managed to fill their lockers with venison this year. However the most successful hunter sems to have been Eldon Bailey who, in three days bagged a nice buck, two limits of ducks and two snow geese.

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Ivan (Shorty) Lancaster was advanced to the position of Mine Foreman on October 16th. Shorty became a stope foreman last December 16th and prior to that time held several jobs at Lark, both surface and underground, since joining the Company in 1939.

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Grant Fahrni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fahrni, Lark, hopes to be home in March or April. At present, Fred who is a MM3 (Machinist Mate 3rd class) is with the U.S. Navy 6th Fleet, operating in the Mediterranean area. He recently has had the opportunity to visit Norway, Scotland, and all the countries bordering the Mediterranean and expects to spend Christmas in Cannes, France. Grant has kept his folks well informed of his travels with the pictures he takes, with his movie and 35mm cameras.

Grant on a park bench in Italy.

HIAWATHA

Pete Bruno, *Reporting*

HIAWATHA L. D. S. CHAPEL DEDICATED

The L.D.S. Ward Chapel was dedicated Sunday evening, October 26th at services conducted by Bishop William G. Riches. Elder George Q. Morris, Assistant to the Council of Twelve, presented the dedicatory address.

The program included remarks and addresses by James L. Oviatt, T. C. Jackson, Claude Erickson, Le-Roy Mecham, Carlos G. Larsen and President of the Carbon Stake, Elton Taylor. Musical interludes were provided by the ladies chorus with solo numbers by Mrs. Boyd Petty, William Starr and Van Gardner. Opening prayer was offered by R. Clifford Albrechtsen and benediction by Alden Burdick.

The chapel was built in 1924 by the U.S. Fuel Company to provide a place of worship for employees and their families who were members of the L.D.S. Church. It was furnished by the Ward and has been used by them for many years except during the war when it was used as a dormitory. In 1950, the U.S. Fuel Company presented the chapel and grounds to the L.D.S. Church as a gift. During the past two years, the Hiawatha Ward membership has redecorated and refurnished the chapel and landscaped the grounds.

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The following boys were home on leave from the armed forces recently: George Orphanakis, Dick Reva, Glen Davis and Bernie Christensen, all with the U.S. Navy stationed at San Diego; Bill Burgess with the Army in Colorado Springs, Jim Garber with the Air Force at Travis Air Base, California and Ferin Pappas from the Hamilton Air Force Base, Hamilton, California.

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A Zone Youth rally was held during November at the Hiawatha Community Church for the young people of Hiawatha; Dragerton and Price with a luncheon served at the Community Hall included in the program. Speaker for the affair was Rev. Raymond O. Aikens who addressed the group on the subjects "Youth Marchs on" and "True Romance."

Hiawatha ward dedicatory services.

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Two proud fathers who have passed the cigars around recently are John P. Storrs, Mine Engineer, and T. C. Jackson, General Supt. Paul's wife presented him with another daughter, christened Paulette, on November 3, and Mrs. Jackson presented Tom with a daughter, their first, on December 5.

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The MIA had an evening of entertainment for the townspeople last Tuesday evening. A road show was presented first, entitled "Chattanooga Choo Choo," two accordion solos by Gary Draper, and a one-act play entitled, "A Russian Marriage Proposal."

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Clarence M. Littlejohn, main control operator at the preparation plant, was advanced to tipple foreman October 1. Starting as a boney picker, Clarence has worked on most of the jobs in the plant. With the exception of three years spent in the service during World War II, he has worked continuously at the preparation plant since 1936.

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Wendell Raulston who entered the armed forces October 2nd, 1950, and has been stationed at the Reese Air Force Base in Texas, left Hiawatha recently, following a well earned furlough, to join the 5th Air Force in Korea. Wendell is an Airman, first class and a radio operator.

Wendell Raulston.

Sgt. Jim Garber has been home on furlough recently. He is attached to the 99th Bomber Squadron and is a tail gunner on a B-29. He is now stationed at Tampa, Florida, and is attending school there. Prior to April of this year he was stationed in Guam.

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With orange pumpkins and black skeletons adorning the school auditorium and as spook alley in the basement, Hiawatha Junior High students cavorted in gay fashion at the Halloween Party Thursday, October 30th. Not to be outdone by their older friends, students of the elementary grades held halloween parties at school the following day. All the children dressed in halloween regalia paraded around the school grounds together.

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Christmas Thought

It takes you a long time to learn:
(How many have not found out yet!)
No matter how much you may earn—
It's more fun to *give* than to *get!*

It's nice to *receive* something—true;
But really you just start to live
When first it's discovered by you
That joy comse from what you can *give.*

It's little? Well, then, do not fret—
Don't add up the cost of your gift;
It's more fun to give than to get
For giving will give you a lift!

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Meteor experts were baffled by a black, porous substance until one of them showed it to his wife—who correctly identified it as burned toast.

Three girls of the "Happy Workers Club" under the leadership of Mrs. Earl Hartman, received cash awards for sewing. They are: Coleen Alger, Kay Parmley and Lorraine Yates.

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Members of the Hiawatha American Legion Auxiliary gave a party Wednesday evening, November 5, in honor of Mrs. John Garr, Mrs. Byron Cook, Mrs. Fred Webb, Mrs. William Hyden and Mrs. Edward Shearer. Each was presented with a gift. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Joseph Parmely, Mrs. N. Lee Kirk and Mrs. Russell Ramey. The table was beautifully decorated with white candles and chrysanthemums. Games were played and prizes were won by Mrs. Kenneth Allred, Mrs. Boyd Petty and Mrs. Joseph Parmley.

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Women, Bless 'Em!

Just give me a man
With a million or two
Or one who is handsome
Would happily do.
A dashing young fellow
Is swell any day,
Or one who is famous
Would suit me okay.
But if the man shortage
Should get any worse
Go back to the very
First line of this verse.

—*Campus Reporter.*

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U. S. Fuel's cars and trucks look mighty smart these days with the famous King Coal emblem on the doors. These multi-colored decals are creating a lot of pride in the coal which King Mine produces.

SALT LAKE OFFICE

Virginia Magleby, *Reporting*

SPEND WEEKEND AT ELKO —Florence G. Smith, Edna Coleman, Bonnie Bernard, Margaret Elliott and Marcelle Hitchcock decided to do their "deer hunting" at Elko this year and although they didn't bag any game, two legged or otherwise, they had a lot of fun playing the one-armed bandits.

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Sincere sympathy is extended to Paul Lubeck, whose father passed away on November 2.

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Georgette Blackmarr and Ruth Jenkins were given a farewell luncheon by the girls in the office October 31 at Hotel Newhouse. Corsages of yellow chrysanthemums and pink roses were presented to Georgette and Ruth. Georgette is moving to San Francisco to be near her son Dick who is a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Ruth is going to devote all of her time to her young son Jeffery and keep a date with the stork in the near future.

Smeltingco wishes to welcome Elanor Devecchi, who joined the U. S. Sales Office force October 27. Elanor attended Henager's for one year and was formerly employed by the CommercialTravelers Insurance Company.

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Mexico's warm sunshine beckoned the Kurylas while on vacation early in October. They flew to Las Cruces on the coast of lower California and spent a leisurely two weeks sunning, swimming and deep sea fishing.

According to Mike, Mercy Bryan proved to be a real fisherman. She caught an eight foot 170# marlin on a fishing trip off the coast near Las Cruces with the regulation rod

and tackle. Proof of her catch and evidence that Mexico is a land of sunshine is recorded in the above snapshot of Mercy Bryan and Mike.

Mrs. Kifer Bolls Fobes, formerly Olise Geumlek, and three month old daughter, Dana, visited her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geumlek recently while enroute to Indians Island, Washington, to join Lt. Fobes who is stationed there with the Marine Corps. Dana is Ralph's first grandchild.

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The stork presented the Kent Wiltons with a baby girl on November 19. This is the first child for Kent and makes Guy Wilton a grandpa for the second time.

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Virginia Seare, along with a friend from Chicago, paid Florida a quick visit the middle of November. Some of the sights they saw while in Florida were the water skiing show at the Cyprus Gardens in Winter Haven, the Gulf of Mexico at St. Petersburg and the wonderful hotels and beaches at Miami. On their return trip to Chicago they passed through Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky and Ohio and, strenuous enough it was, Virginia says the trip was wonderful.

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"Smeltingco" wishes to welcome H. Wayne Haworth who was employed as a engineer draftsman October 15. Wayne is from Denver, Colorado. His wife Margaret and daughter Mary will join him here soon.

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The welcome mat is also out for Richard O. Anderson, who was employed December 1 as a steno. in the Engineering Department. He was formerly employed by the U.S. Forest Service. He and his wife Livia reside at 664 East 2nd South.

Jim Welch, labor recruiter prior to his retirement a year ago, dropped in at the office early in November to talk over the election and tell us about the two month trip to the Northwest and California he and the Mrs. enjoyed during September and October.

They visited relatives in Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California. Jim took the opportunity to visit the Coeur d'Alene mines and do some fishing in the Puget Sound and caught a 40 lb. salmon.

They took in the sights of San Francisco, saw the Redwoods and on the way home visited some friends on a ranch in Susanville, California.

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Vet Coal Salesman Retires

Guy H. Holmes, veteran coal salesman for the United States Fuel Company, retired October 31. Mr. Holmes' record of employment dates back to 1909. From 1909 through 1911 he was secretary to Vice President Frederick Lyon in the Boston office. He joined the Fuel Division in 1912 as a clerk retaining that capacity with the United States Fuel Company when it was organized in 1915. In 1920 he became District Salesman and in 1931, District Sales Manager for Idaho and the Northwest, continuing in this capacity until his retirement. His headquarters has been Boise, Idaho.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave from the Company to serve his country in both World War I and II. In World War II he held the rank of major.

Mr. Holmes plans on spending his winters in southern California and summers at his cabin on the shores of Payette Lake in northern Idaho.

Artistic ability finds outlet in hobby of . . .

TOOLING LEATHER

A PERSONALITY SKETCH

By Virginia Fackrell

If someone handed you a swivel knife, some saddle punches, mallets, a bevel and a calf hide, what would you do with them?

You wouldn't know? Well, that's where we're one up on you. We'd give them to Lou Nelson, Salt Lake Office Accounting Department clerk, and let him make us a tooled leather hand bag.

Lou's latest hobby has taken him into tooling leather. A brand new hobby dating back only to August of this year, yet to see the progress he has made you need only look at the finished articles. These include five women's hand bags, a wallet and a belt.

Although Lou feels a hobby should be dropped post haste if it becomes a problem, he hasn't been selfish with his latest efforts. After getting interested through work he had seen and books he picked up, Lou got a school teacher friend interested. Now this teacher has twelve sixth grade students doing about one hour a day of leather tooling during special activity period at the Libby Edward school.

Expensive? Well, he says it can be or not, as you choose. So far Lou has acquired a set of approximately thirty tools at a cost of $60 or $65. Starting with a swivel knife, which is a small dental-like tool and does most of your basic work in leather tooling, you may add saddle punches, background tools, bevel, shader, mallets, needles, and so on to fit into just which designs you wish to make.

Time-consuming? Suit yourself on that, too, Lou says. The bags he has made have taken from thirty to fifty hours each, while a wallet can be carved in two or three hours.

Calf hide, horsehide, ostrich skin, sheep skin, goat skin, lizard, alligator, and imitation of all these and others, are at your disposal, if you decide to take up this very fascinating hobby. Feeling he is still in the initial phase of learning the carving of leather, Lou has confined his efforts to calf hide work, using other leathers only to a small extent for such things as lacings, straps, etc. Outside of a bit of stitching he has done with a sewing machine needle, Lou has inside pockets and stitching done by a shoemaker.

All Lou's leisure time from his accounting duties is not spent carving leather. Fishing and hunting are a couple of other hobbies at which he keeps active in season. This may not strike you as outstanding unless you remember that Lou's best method of perambulation

is via a pair of crutches. But as you can see, this fact just doesn't confine him to any great extent.

In other sports Lou has always shown an active spectator participation. He claims to have been one of the chief rooters for Charlie Hilton and Blaine Watts when they played basketball for Murray High School. Only incidental is the fact that two of his brothers also played basketball for the same school.

Before joining the Company nine years ago, Lou graduated from Murray High School and later from U.S.A.C. at Logan with a business degree. Officially christened Louis I. Nelson, he is one of ten children of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Nelson, Murray, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary over a year ago. A retired smelter employee of American Smelting and Refining Company, Lou's dad is reputed to have quite a sense of humor. Lou's fellow employees feel that this quality has been inherited.

A hobbyist all his life, Lou's leisure time interests have ranged from raising white mice to raising tobacco and lemons in boxes. However, if you've had a chance to see the latest hand bag he made with a four petalled Oriental flower design complete with all the shadings and background, suede pockets and lining and horse hide strap and trimmings, you'll admit that his current hobby is undoubtedly his best.

Thoughts for the New Year

"To be honest, to be kind, to earn a little and to spend a little less, to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence, to renounce when that shall be necessary and not to be embittered, to keep a few friends, but these without capitulation; above all, on the same condition, to keep friends with himself; here is a task for all a man has of fortitude and delicacy."

—*Robert Louis Stevenson.*

Transferred

Dick Ludwig, who has been Mechanical Engineer for the United States Fuel Company since March 1, 1951, has been transferred to the Company's Alaskan Operations where he will be Plant Engineer. He left Salt Lake City for Fairbanks which will be his headquarters on December 6. Dick's family will join him there in the near future.

Returning to Alaska will be like going home to Dick. He was first employed by the Company at Nome, Alaska, in 1934 and worked at Nome until 1943 when he was transferred to the Company's Salt Lake Engineering Department. Since January, 1949, he has been with the United States Fuel Company's Engineering Department.

Dick requests that "Smeltingco" say goodby to his friends and associates in the Salt Lake Office and, in turn, they wish him success on his new undertaking.

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I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

—*Longfellow.*

MIDVALE PLANT

Don Nydegger, *Reporting*

Veteran Smeltermen Retire

Several old timers at the plant have hung up their work clothes the past month or two in favor of a life of leisure under the Company's retirement program.

Gust Stathopoulos, a veteran of more than 36 years of continuous employment at the leading plant, quit punching the time clock on October 31. At that time Gust was running the slag motor. He was burnerman for many years.

Seinojo "Joe" Hirata, clean up man and thaw shed fireman at the plant for many years, retired November 30. He had worked at the plant intermittently for the past 30 years. Joe, as he was called by his friends, was 66 and had been in poor health of late. Joe was well thought of for his quiet manner and subtle sense of humor.

Another lead plant veteran who retired November 30 is John Vehar. John came to work on the change floor in March, 1923, and remained on the same job until recently when he transferred to the feed floor. John is proud of his safety record both on the job and on the highway. In 29 years he never had a lost time accident at the plant, nor an accident driving to and from the plant.

Sam Lancaster, sampling department veteran worker, ended his duties November 30. Sam who will be 70 in December, helped build the plant, starting in 1901. Except for eleven months in 1916, he has worked at the plant since it was built. As a momento of their esteem his fellow workmen in the sampling department presented him with a leather jacket. The essay office crew gave him a leather wallet.

Illness over the past year and a half forced Harvey J. Oldham to retire from his job of wedge headman at the plant this month at the age of 52. Harvey came to work at the plant in December, 1933, and has been at the roaster department since January, 1935.

The long and faithful service records these men have achieved is a worthwhile example of pleasant and profitable associations that can develop between an employer and its employees under our American way of life. *Smeltingco* wishes them well.

The reason for the big smile on Bill Cunningham's face (standing between antlers) is obvious. He had just shot the beautiful five point bull elk. Bill, night foreman at the smelter, hunted in Barney's Canyon with assayer Cal Jackson, who also appears pleased. Bill reports that the elk provided 306 pounds of wrapped meat.

It was Bill's first elk hunt. He also got his buckskin. A native Arkansan, he has high praise for big game hunting in Utah.

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Hughes Hanchett, Assistant Chief Chemist, had a successful deer hunt. Hughes hunted his home town area on Monroe Mountain. Of the deer exhibited in the picture below, Hughes shot four of the bucks, including the two large four pointers on the left. Hughes is one of these ardent deer hunters who always gets his buck. His favorite hunting companion is his uncle, Mr. Earl Hanchett (far right next to Hughes in snapshot) who knows the Monroe Country like a book. The other members of the party are Californians. No—they weren't breaking the law—several of the men had both buck and doe permits.

Dan Newbold, payloader operator, sent in the snapshot of the deer bagged by his hunting party this year. Can you blame him for being proud? These bucks were taken out of Faust.

Another pair of smeltermen who reported they got nice three and four point bucks the first morning of the hunt were Al Rose, Electrician, and his son Jack, machinist apprentice of the flotation mill. They hunted on the South Fork of Chalk Creek.

Boys took all the honors in recent births in the Smart family. Irvin's wife presented him with a new son on October 11 and Ralph's wife followed with a son on October 15.

PIPE COLLECTOR

Joe Cotter, Trestle Clerk, has become interested in the hobby of collecting smoking pipes. To-date Joe has a wide assortment of styles, sizes and shapes. He has been collecting pipes for five years and now has 61. Included in the assortment are: a Turkish water pipe, a polished tooled brass Chinese pipe, a German alpine boravian pipe, a meerschaum, eight assorted corn cobs, an English clay pipe, two porcelain pipes, nine beautiful hand-carved pipes, a Calabash Sherlock Holmes pipe, and even a pipe with a miniature toilet bowl, and various and sundry other pipes. Joe has acquired these pipes from England, China, Italy, Holland, Franch. Turkey, Germany and the United States.

Joe doesn't buy these various pipes just as ornaments—he smokes each one. He takes excellent care of them and uses a professional pipe reamer to keep them clean and in good smoking condition.

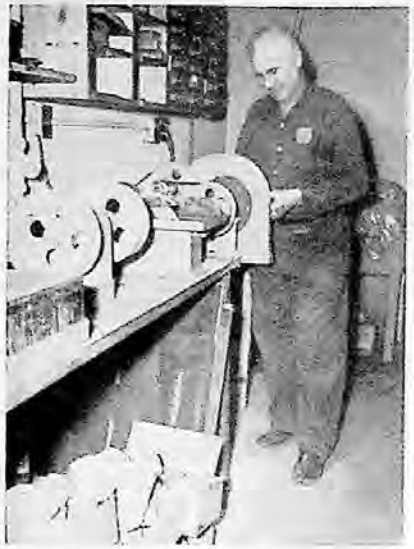
After a pipe loses its good smoking quality, he puts it into retirement.

Joe began smoking a pipe when he was twenty-one. He thinks pipe smoking provides by far the most enjoyable smoking pleasure. If he had saved all the pipes he has used since he began smoking he says he would have several hundred by now. Joe says a good collection would include 1000 different pipes. He anticipates such a collection ultimately.

In choosing the pipe to smoke, Joe depends entirely upon his mood. For example, when he is meditating or concentrating deeply, he likes to smoke either the Chinese or German alpine because they have a very large bowl and don't require frequent lighting which would otherwise interrupt his concentration.

Joe is very fortunate. Most wives are sensitive about the "distinctive aroma" of "old favorite" pipes being smoked in the living room. However, this is no problem for Joe, many of the pipes in his collection have been gifts from his wife.

LAPIDARY



The flotation mill can boast that it has a "Lapidary." Now the average person probably doesn't have the slightest conception of whether a lapidary is some strange animal or a new type of machinery. To shed some light on the subject "Webster" tells us that a lapidary is a person who cuts, polishes or engraves precious stones—and Fred Zimmerman is just that — and a mighty good one we might add.

Fred, who is Flotation Mill Mechanical Foreman, became interested in cutting and polishing stones as a hobby two years ago and is now thoroughly wrapped up in this fascinating work. Fred designed and then fabricated and assembled all his equipment himself. He has one of the finest shops of its kind in this area. Building the machines he uses is in itself quite an accomplishment. One of his machines is a unique oscilating diamond set saw with automatic pump which forces a stream of coal oil on the cutting edge of the diamond blade. Fred modestly admits that he has never seen or known of a similar saw. It is used for cutting various stones. He also has an 8 in. cut-off saw, an automatic ball machine for making spheres, a grinding machine, a sanding machine, a polishing machine, earrings, etc.

It naturally follows that Fred is a "hound" for all types of stones and if anyone has some specimens Fred would appreciate knowing about them so they can get together and do some trading.

Fred's display of polished stones is outstanding. Included in his collection are obsidian from Milford, Utah, plume agate from Oregon, jade from Wyoming, Montana agate from the Yellowstone River, onyx and verisite from Lehi, snowflake obsidian from Beaver, and many others.

Fred is not the only one in the Zimmerman family to have an interesting hobby. Mrs. Zimmerman and their daughter have become accomplished in the art of ceramics. They both have created some very fine hand-made figurines and other ceramic articles.

Some of the stones cut and polished by Fred Zimmerman.

Of interest to women

HOLIDAY TREASURES

Some Christmas Treats By
MARY ALDEN

The Christmas season is always steeped in tradition and folklore. Christmas traditions have been handed down from generation to generation and are repeated every year as remembrances of Christmas days gone by. Quaker Quotes published by the home economics department of the Quaker Oats Company, has collected customs from this country and from countries all over the world. Such bits of folklore as why mincemeat is included on a Christmas menu, a bit of fantasy about Christmas wreaths, how to insure a prosperous New Year and many more unusual legends about the holiday season.

What will Christmas be like at your house? Will you have a pink tree with blue lights or an old fashioned Christmas tree trimmed with cranberries and popcorn. Whatever your Christmas customs may be, one thing is sure, you will have many good things to eat.

Here are several tasty tempting recipes, planned for you with the wish that your holiday season be a happy one.

DANISH WREATHS

In Denmark the housewives bake a great variety of cookies, for according an an old Danish legend, if a visitor calls at Christmas and eats nothing, he will carry the Christmas spirit away from the house.

Cookies:
- ¾ cup butter or margarine
- ½ cup sugar
- 1¼ cups sifted enriched flour
- Grated rind of ½ orange
- ¾ cup Quaker or Mother's Oats ((quick or old fashioned, uncooked)

Glaze and Decoration:
- 1 egg white
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- Candied fruit

Cream butter and sugar together thoroughly. Add remaining ingregient, mixing well. (Dough will be stiff so you may want to mix with hands.) Chill thoroughly. Break off small pieces of the dough working together with fingers until pliable. Roll each piece on a floured board with fingers to form a stick about 6 inches long and ¼ inch thick. Shape each piece into a wreath, crossing ends to form a knot; place two inches apart on ungreased cooky sheet.

Beat egg white until stiff but not dry. Gradually beat in sugar. Brush on wreaths; decorate with candied fruit. Bake in moderate over (375° F.) 10 to 12 minutes. *Makes 3 dozen.*

MAGIC ALMOND DROPS

From an old Greek custom comes this new Christmas cookie. Follow the recipe below and hide a whole almond in the center of just one cookie. The person who finds the almond will be assured of health, wealth and prosperity for the coming year.

- 1½ cups sifted enriched flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup brown sugar
- ¾ cup shortening soft
- 2 squares (2 ozs.) unsweetened chocolate
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ½ teaspoon almond flavoring
- ¼ cup milk
- 1½ cups Quaker or Mother's Oats (quick or old-fashioned, uncooked)
- Slivered almonds

Sift together flour and salt into bowl. Add sugar, shortening, chocolate (cooled to lukewarm), flavorings and about half the milk. Beat until smooth. Blend in remaining milk and rolled oats. (Dough will be quite stiff.)

Shape dough in small balls; place on greased cooky sheet. Decorate each ball of dough with slivered almonds. Bake in moderate over (350° F.) 12 to 15 minutes. *Makes 3 dozen.*

In one old book on Christmas lore we found this saying, "If a young lad and lassie eat of the same bread on Christmas Eve, they will fall in love with each other."

CUPID'S CHRISTMAS BREAD

- 1 pkg. granular or compressed yeast
- ½ cup lukewarm water
- 1 cup scalded milk
- ⅓ cup shortening
- ⅓ cup brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 4 to 4½ cups sifted enriched flour
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 cup Quaker or Mother's Oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup mixed candied fruits

Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Pour scalded milk over shortening, sugar and salt; cool to lukewarm. Stir in 1 cup of the flour. Add egg and softened yeast; fold in rolled oats, pecans and fruit. Stir in enough flour to make a soft dough.

Turn out on lightly floured board and knead until satiny, about 10 minutes. Round dough into ball; place in greased bowl; cover and let rise in warm place until double in bulk (about 1 hour).

Punch down; cover and let rest 10 minutes. Shape dough in 2 round loaves. Place on greased cooky sheets; brush lightly with melted shortening. Cover and let rise until double in bulk (about 45 minutes). Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) for 10 minutes; reduce heat to 350° F. and continue baking 20 to 30 minutes. Cool and frost with a thin confectioners' sugar frosting. Decorate with candied fruits and nuts. *Makes 2 loaves.*

This is the make-believe story of how Christmas wreaths had their beginning. The elves and fairies who lived in the holly bushes made the wreaths for the doors of homes where people had been kind to them. Then on Christmas Eve they knew where to leave gifts and good wishes.

HOLLY BERRY DOUGHNUTS

- ⅓ cup chopped nutmeats
- 2 eggs, beaten
- ⅔ cup milk
- 2 tbsp. melted shortening
- 3 cups Aunt Jemima Ready-Mix for Pancakes
- ⅔ cup sugar
- 1 tbsp. grated orange rind

Mix together pancake ready-mix, sugar, orange rind and nutmeats. Combine beaten eggs and milk and add to dry ingredients; fold in melted shortening. (If dough seems too stiff, add a little more milk.) Roll dough to ⅜ inch thickness on lightly floured board; cut with floured doughnut cutter. Fry in deep hot fat (375° F.) until brown. Drain on absorbent paper; cool.

Dip each doughnut into thin confectioners' sugar frosting. Decorate with candied cherries. *Makes 2 dozen doughnuts.*

House, & Home

A house is just a place to stay,
A floor and roof above it,
And it will always be that way
Until the day you love it.

A mansion it could be, or shack,
But Home it's not, a minute;
The builder should just take it back,
Unless your *heart* is in it.

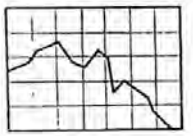
LET'S MAKE IT SAFER!

Over the past number of years we have seen our safety program work so effectively that new safety records were set—then we have seen it go into a slump without any apparent changes in the program itself.

The trouble usually is that the changes cannot be seen on the surface, because they happen way down deep inside ourselves. We bask in the glory of the safety achievement we have made, and lacking the stimulus of continued leadership in the war on accidents, our enthusiasm wanes and unconsciously we slip back into old habits and our good safety record is soon shot to pieces.

That's why a safety campaign must be a continuous one. That's why a good safety record is never good enough—until all accidents are eliminated.

So in spite of the improvements we have made in past years in our accident record, we've still got to continue to try to do better. If we don't we won't stand still, but we will slip backwards.



One of the things that makes America great is our desire to do better always. We don't like to stand still. We want better cars, better living conditions, better working conditions, more of everything that spells advancement and progress.

That should hold true for accident records too! This business of bettering the record isn't merely to improve our standing on a chart or on the Company books or just to make a showing. We're just kidding ourselves if we think that is all there it to it.

You know and I know that improving our accident record means fewer fellows hurt; more happy families; more steady work and more freedom from pain and suffering.

There's only one way to improve our accident record. That is by making up our minds that we won't be satisfied until we have eliminated all accidents from our work and then set about doing just that by making our work habits so safe that only a good accident record can result.

Give your families a real Christmas present this year and every year. Give them yourself alive and healthy.

NOVEMBER INJURIES

The largest number of lost time accidents for any single month of the year were chalked up during November.

Midvale Plant

While a workman was unloading copper concentrates from a truck, a chunk fell on his foot severly bruising his toe.

A lead plant caster was attempting to pull a track switch when the cable broke and he fell fracturing his ankle.

A boilermaker was driving rivets and placed his foot on an I beam for support. The beam tipped over on his foot severely bruising it.

U. S. Section

A motorman was dumping a mine car into the pockets when he slipped and fell severely bruising his chest.

While a miner was drilling a rock fell from the raise and struck him on the ankle severely bruising it.

A timberman was attempting to lift a car back on the track and strained the muscles of his back.

Lark Section

A miner was climbing down a ladder placed on a round stull; the stull turned over and he fell striking his back; fracturing the 3rd lumbar vertebrae.

A motor helper was dumping ore from a mine car and a foreign body flew into his eye causing inflammation of the eye.

While a timberman was placing a 10 x 10 cap, he slipped and fell and the timber struck his head, severely fracturing several facial bones.

U. S. Fuel Company

A mechanic was lubricating a shuttle car when the operator started the car and drove over him; fracturing his shoulder.

A timberman was installing timbers near a loading machine when a fall of coal knocked him against the loader and released a valve which dropped the boom on him, severely fracturing his pelvis and hips.

A nipper was coupling mine cars while they were in motion; and he caught his thumb between the couplers, fracturing it.

A drill helper was standing at the face helping drill when a bounce caused a piece of coal to fall and strike him on the foot, fracturing his toe.

While a motorman was operating his motor on the mainline a foreign particle entered his eye. Considerable irritation resulted.

A shot firer was assisting a driller when the brake slipped allowing the drill to whip around and strike him in the face, fracturing several facial bones and severely lacerating his face.

While a worker was tramming a car loaded with track rails the car left the track and a rail fell on his arm severely bruising it.

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SAFETY RECORD

NOVEMBER, 1952

Number of Lost Time Accidents

Rate per Million Man Hours

	November	Year to Date
Midvale Plant	3	7
U. S. Section	3	20
Lark Section	3	47
U. S. Fuel Company	7	31

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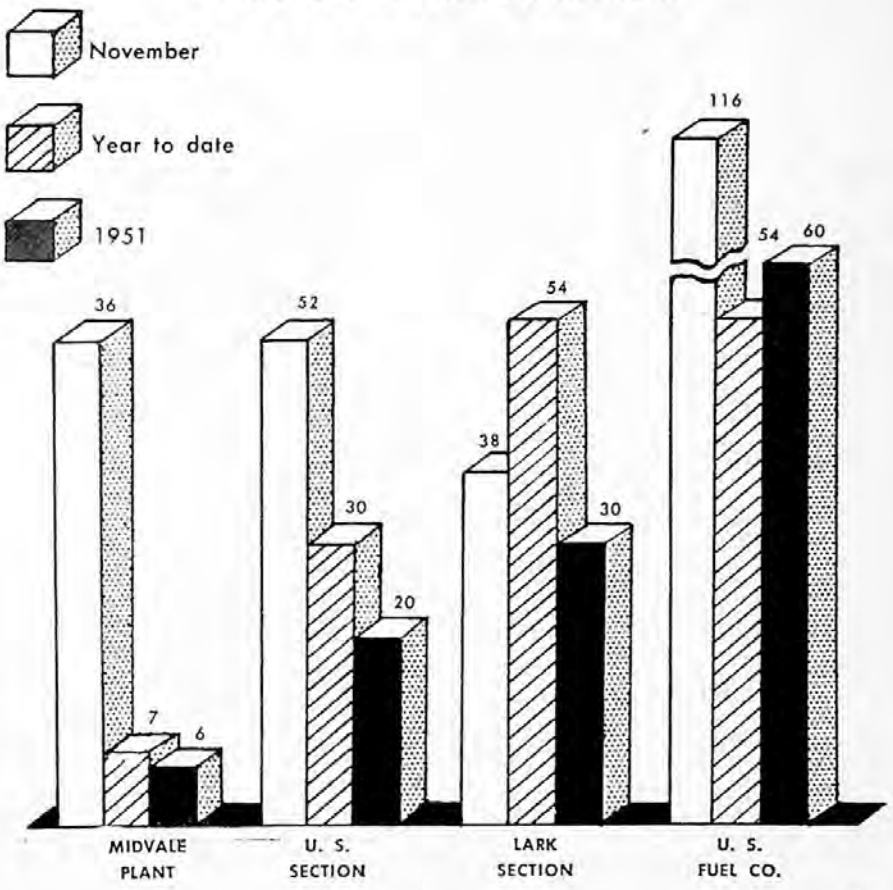

It's Christmas Again!

Holiday Greetings